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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGAL PROFESSIONS.

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Legal Professions Act," 1884, c. 18, s. 1.

Law Society.

2. The persons who shall be elected, or be exofficio, Benchers as hereinafter mentioned, and their successors in office, shall be a body politic and corporate, under the name of the "Law Society of British Columbia," and as such shall have continued succession and a common seal. 1884, c. 18, s. 3.

3. The Benchers, exclusive of exofficio members, shall be seven in number. 1884, c. 18, s. 4.

4. The Benchers shall appoint a Secretary and shall appoint one of their number to be Treasurer. 1884, c. 18, s. 5.

5. The property in the books of the law library, heretofore kept at the Supreme Court House, James' Bay, Victoria, is declared to be vested in the Society, and the property in any books to be in future purchased by the Benchers shall be vested in the Society and shall form part of the library. 1884, c. 18, s. 49.

Benchers.

6. The Attorney-General of Canada, for the time being, the Attorney-General of British Columbia, for the time being, and any retired Judge of the Supreme Court, shall respectively, exofficio, be Benchers. 1884, c. 18, s. 24.

7. The election of Benchers shall take place annually, on the Monday preceding the 31st day of March in every year. 1884, c. 18, s. 6.

8. No person shall be eligible as a Benchers at any election who is not qualified to vote at such election and unless he be a Barrister. 1884, c. 18, s. 19.

9. At all elections retiring Benchers shall be eligible for re-election. 1884, c. 18, s. 21.

10. Each Barrister or Solicitor entitled to practice in the Supreme Court, and actually residing and practising in the Province, and not hereinafter declared ineligible, may vote for seven persons, 1884, c. 18, s. 8.

11. No person shall be entitled to vote unless all his fees to the Society have been paid. 1884, c. 18, s. 15.

12. On the first Monday in the month of March in each year, an alphabetical list of the Barristers and Solicitors who are entitled to vote at the succeeding election shall be made out by the Secretary of the Society, and such list may be examined by any Barrister or Solicitor at all reasonable times. 1884, c. 18, s. 16.

13. In case any Barrister or Solicitor complains to the Secretary of the improper omission or insertion of any name in the list, it shall be the duty of such officer forthwith to examine into the complaint, and rectify such error if any there be, and in case any person is dissatisfied with the decision of such officer, he may appeal to a Judge of the Supreme Court in a summary way, whose decision shall be final, and such list shall remain or be altered in accordance with such decision. 1884, c. 18, s. 17.

14. No person whose name is not inserted in the said list shall be entitled to vote at such election. 1884, c. 18, s. 18.

15. Such votes shall be given by closed voting papers, in the form in the First Schedule to this Act, or to the like effect, being delivered between the first day of March and the day of election, to the secretary of the Law Society of British Columbia. Any voting paper received during such intervals by the Secretary by post shall be deemed delivered to him. 1884, c. 18, s. 9.

16. The benchers shall, in the month of February in each

year, appoint two persons who, with the Treasurer, shall act as scrutineers at the election. In case any scrutineer is absent during such scrutiny the others may nevertheless proceed therewith. 1884, c. 18, s. 7.

17. The voting papers shall upon the day of election be opened by the Secretary of the said Law Society, in the presence of the scrutineers, who shall scrutinize and count the votes, and keep a record thereof in a proper book to be provided by the Society. 1884, c. 18, s. 17.

18. Any person entitled to vote at any election for Benchers shall be entitled to be present at the opening and scrutinizing of the voting papers. 1884, c. 18, s. 13.

19. Any votes cast for any person who is ineligible to be a Bencher, or who is a Bencher *ex officio*, shall be null and void, and the election shall be declared as if such votes had not been cast. 1884, c. 18, s. 20.

20. In the event of any elector placing more than seven names on his voting paper the first seven only shall be taken, notwithstanding any of such seven persons so named may be ineligible for election from any cause whatever. 1884, c. 18, s. 22.

21. The seven persons who have the highest number of votes shall, with the *ex officio* Benchers, be the Benchers until the next annual election, and until their successors shall have been elected. 1884, c. 18, s. 12.

22. In case of an equality of votes between two or more persons, which leaves the election of one or more of such Benchers undecided, then the scrutineers shall forthwith put into a ballot-box a number of papers with the names of the candidates having such equality of votes written thereon, one for each candidate, and the Secretary of the Society shall draw by chance from such ballot-box, in the presence of the scrutineers, one or more of such papers sufficient to make up the required number, and the persons whose names are upon such papers so drawn shall be such Benchers. 1884, c. 18, s. 14.

23. Upon the completion of the scrutiny, the Secretary

shall forthwith declare the result of the election, and shall cause the names to be published in the British Columbia Gazette for one issue. 1884, c. 18, s. 23.

24. The Benchers may make such regulations as they consider expedient, not contrary to the provisions of this Act, for regulating the procedure under the preceding sections of this Act. 1884, c. 18, s. 25.

25. No person shall sign the name of any other person to any voting paper under this Act, or alter, or add to, or falsify, or fill up any blank in any voting paper signed by another person, or deliver or cause to be delivered to the Secretary any such false voting paper or any voting paper which has been added to or falsified, or in which any blank has been filled up after the same was signed. 1884, c. 18, s. 27.

26. In the event of there being no Secretary for the time being of the Law Society at the time at which any election under this Act is to be held, or in the event of such Secretary being unable, from illness or other unavoidable cause, to act at such elections, then, and in such case, the Treasurer for the time being of the Law Society shall appoint under his hand some other person to act as such Secretary, and such person so appointed shall perform all the duties of such Secretary as prescribed by this Act. 1884, c. 18, s. 28.

27. In the event of any dispute as to the election of Benchers, the same may be decided in a summary way by any Judge of the Supreme Court, upon petition, whose decision shall be final. The Judge may decide upon such petition that certain persons were or were not elected, or that certain persons were entitled to be elected, and make a return to the Society accordingly, and such return shall govern the society. The costs of the petition shall be in the discretion of the Judge. 1884, c. 18, s. 29.

28. No petition against the return of a Bencher shall be entertained unless presented within ten days after the day of election. 1884, c. 18, s. 30.

29. The voting papers belonging to any election shall not be destroyed until after all petitions in respect to such elec-

tion have been decided, but the same shall, together with all other papers in connection with the election, be retained by the Secretary. 1884, c. 18, s. 26

30. In case of failure in any instance to elect the requisite number of Benchers according to the provisions of this Act, or in case of any vacancy caused by the death or resignation of any Bencher, or by any other cause, the remaining or continuing Benchers may appoint to the vacant place or places, any person or persons duly qualified under the provisions of this Act to be elected Bencher or Benchers, and the person or persons so appointed shall hold office for the residue of the period for which the other Benches have been elected. 1884, c. 18, s. 31.

Powers of the Benchers.

31. The Benchers shall have the following powers:—

- (1.) They may appoint such officers and servants as may be necessary for the management of the business of the Society, and may make rules for the discipline and well-being of the legal profession and otherwise relating to the honor thereof :
- (2.) They may make rules for the improvement of legal education, and may appoint readers and lecturers with salaries, and may prescribe the subjects and mode of study of students-at-law and articled clerks, and rules for the attendance of students and articled clerks at readings or lectures :
- (3.) They may make rules for final examinations of students-at-law and articled clerks as conditional to call to the Bar or admission as solicitor :
- (4.) They may call to the Bar of the Supreme Court and admit to practice as a Barrister in British Columbia, any person being a British subject of full age and good repute, who, having been entered of and admitted into the Society as a student-at-law, has been standing in the books thereof for five years, and has conformed himself to the rules of the Society :
- (5.) They may admit as Solicitors, of the Supreme Court

any person being a British subject of full age and good repute, who has been bound by articles, in writing, to a practising Solicitor in British Columbia, to serve, and has him served, as his clerk for five years continuously, and has conformed to the rules of the Society :

- (6.) To select the books to be purchased for the law library, and to manage and direct the use of the library :
- (7.) To prescribe the fees to be paid to the Society upon calls to the Bar and the admission of Solicitors, and fees payable by students-at-law or articted clerks, on their being admitted or enrolled as such on the books of the Society :
- (8.) To make provision for the reporting of legal decisions. 1884, c. 18, s. 32.

32. The term of five years required in respect of the study or service of a student-at-law or articted clerk shall be reduced to three years, if previously to having been entered on the books of the Society, or articted to a solicitor, the student or clerk shall have attained the degree of Bachelor or Master of Arts in any recognized University of Great Britain or Ireland or Dominion of Canada. 1884, c. 18, s. 54.

33. The Benchers may by rule require that students-at-law, or articted clerks, or both, shall pass a preliminary examination ; and the term of study or of service under articles to entitle each student-at-law or articted clerk to be admitted as a Barrister or Solicitor, respectively, shall date only from the passing of such examination. 1884, c. 18 s. 42.

34. The Benchers may, from time to time, make such rules as they consider necessary for conducting the examination of persons applying to be admitted as Barristers or Solicitors, as well touching the term of study, or articles and service, and the several certificates required to be produced by them before their admission, as touching their fitness and capacity to act as Barristers or Solicitors, and may

from time to time nominate and appoint examiners for conducting such examinations. 1884, c. 18, s. 43.

35. The Benchers may also call and admit to practise at the Bar in Her Majesty's Courts in British Columbia, British subjects of full age, good conduct and repute, who have been duly called and admitted to practise as Barristers-at-Law in any of her Majesty's Courts in England or Ireland, or who shall have been duly called and admitted to practise as Barristers-at-Law in any of the Superior Courts in any of Her Majesty's Colonies or Proviuces of Canada, wherein the common law of England is the common law of the land: Provided always that before the Benchers shall so call or admit any such person, he shall have resided in the Province for twelve consecutive months previously to his call or admission, and shall have before the commencement of such twelve months entered his name on the books of the Society and shall pass satisfactorily before the Benchers, or some persons to be appointed by them, an examination concerning his knowledge of the statute law of Canada and of this Province, and of the practice of the Courts of the Province, and shall produce a certificate from a Judge of a Superior Court of the country in which he was called to the Bar, to the effect that the applicant was called to the Bar, or admitted to practise as such Barrister in such Court, and that he is in good standing and repute as such Barrister: Provided further, that the applicant shall have paid his admission fees to the Society, and shall have given previous to his call, two months notice in the British Columbia Gazette, of his intention to apply for call to the Bar. 1884, c. 18, s. 33.

36. The Benchers may also admit as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court, any British subject of full age, good conduct and repute, who has been duly admitted to practise as a Solicitor of Her Majesty's Courts in England or Ireland, or who shall have been admitted as a Solicitor or Attorney in any of the Superior Courts of Her Majesty's Colonies or Provinces of Canada, wherein the common law of England is the law of the land: Provided always, that, before the Benchers shall so admit any such person, he shall have resided for twelve

consecutive months in the Province previously to his admission, and shall have before the commencement of such twelve months entered his name in the books of the Society and shall pass satisfactorily before the Benchers an examination touching his knowledge of the statute law of Canada and of this Province, and of the practice of the Courts of the Province, and shall produce a certificate from a Judge of a Superior Court of the country in which he was admitted a Solicitor; to the effect that the applicant was admitted a Solicitor of such Court and that he is in good standing and repute as such Solicitor: Provided further, that the applicant shall have paid his admission fees to the Society, and shall have given, previously to his admission, two month's notice in the British Columbia Gazette of his intention to apply for admission as a Solicitor. 1884, c. 18, s. 34.

37. The Benchers shall have full power, upon complaint made, to disbar, disqualify, suspend from practice, or strike off the rolls, any Barrister or Solicitor for good cause shown and after hearing, but any decision which may disbar, disqualify, suspend from practice, or strike off the rolls any Barrister or Solicitor, shall be subject to appeal to a Judge of the Supreme Court, whose decision may be reviewed by the Full Court. 1884, c. 18, s. 47.

Solicitors and Articled Clerks.

38. No Solicitor shall have under such articles as aforesaid more than two clerks at one time, and no Solicitor shall have any such clerk after such Solicitor has discontinued practising his profession, nor while he is employed as a clerk by any other practitioner, and service by a clerk under any such circumstances shall not be deemed service under this Act. 1884, c. 18, s. 36.

39. In case any Solicitor, before the determination of the articles of a clerk bound to him as aforesaid, has become bankrupt, or insolvent, or discontinued practice as a Solicitor, or become or employed as a clerk by any other practitioner, the Supreme Court, or a Judge thereof, may, upon the application of such first mentioned clerk, order such articles to be

discharged or assigned to such person upon such terms, and in such manner, as the Court or Judge thinks fit. 1884, c. 18, s. 37.

40. Whenever any such articles as aforesaid have been discharged by the Supreme Court or a Judge, or cancelled by consent of the parties thereto, or determined by the death of the Solicitor, the clerk may be bound by other articles in writing to serve as clerk to any other practising Solicitor, during the residue of the term for which he was bound by such first mentioned articles, and service under such second articles, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained, shall be as effectual for the purposes of this Act as if such service had been performed under the first articles. 1884, c. 18, s. 38.

41. Whenever any person has been bound by articles to serve as a clerk as aforesaid, and whenever any such articles have been assigned, the Solicitor to whom such person is so bound, or such articles are so assigned, shall, within six months after the date of such articles or assignment respectively, make and duly declare a statutory declaration or statutory declarations, of such Solicitor having been duly admitted, and also of the actual execution of such articles or assignment by the several parties thereto, specifying the names of such parties and their respective places of abode, and the day on which such articles or assignment were or was actually executed by them respectively; and every such statutory declaration, with the articles or assignment to which refers, shall be filed within six months after the execution of such articles or assignment with and by the Secretary of the Society. 1884, c. 18, s. 39.

42. In case any such articles or assignments, with the statutory declaration or declarations in respect thereof hereinbefore required, be not filed as aforesaid within the time hereinbefore limited therefor, the same may afterwards be filed with the said Secretary, but the service of the clerk shall be reckoned only from the day of such filing, unless the Benchers in their discretion, for special reasons, shall otherwise order. 1884, c. 18, s. 40.

43. No person shall be admitted as a Solicitor (except as

in section 36 is mentioned) unless he has, during all the term specified in his articles, duly served thereunder and been actually employed in the proper business of a Solicitor by the Solicitor to whom he has been bound, at the place where such Solicitor has for the time being, resided. 1884, c. 18, s. 41.

Call and Admission.

44. No person shall be called or admitted to practise in the Supreme Court as a Barrister or Solicitor, save in accordance with the provisions of this Act. 1884, c. 18, s. 50.

45. Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, any person who shall have been admitted and enrolled as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court previously to the 18th day of February, 1884, and shall have actually practised therein as such for one year preceding his application, may apply to the Benchers by letter to be called to the Bar, and the said Benchers shall, upon the production of the certificate or other satisfactory proof of the admission of such applicant as a Solicitor, call him to the Bar, and he shall thereupon be admitted, enrolled and allowed to practise as a Barrister in all of Her Majesty's Courts of this Province. 1884, c. 18, s. 53.

46. Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, every Barrister who on the 18th day of February, 1884, had been admitted to practise in the Supreme Court shall be entitled to be admitted as a Solicitor of the said Court, upon payment of the fees payable upon the admission of Solicitors, and upon such payment the Secretary of the Society shall issue to such Barrister a certificate of his admission as such Solicitor. 1884, c. 18, s. 55.

Disbarring, &c.

47. Notwithstanding any Act, law or usage to the contrary, a Barrister or Solicitor shall not be disbarred, disqualified, or in any manner suspended from practice or struck off the rolls, except as hereinafter is provided, until the matter of complaint against him shall have been first submitted to the Benchers. 1884, c. 18, s. 46.

Fees.

48. Any person called as a Barrister under section 35 shall pay to the Society the fees that are payable by a student-at-law upon his admission as a student-at-law and call to the Bar, and any Solicitor admitted under section 36 shall pay to the Society the fees that are payable by an articled clerk on his being enrolled as an articled clerk and upon his admission as a Solicitor. 1884, c. 18, s. 35.

49. Every practising Barrister or Solicitor shall pay annually to the Society, on or before the first Monday of October in each year, a sum to be fixed by the Benchers, not exceeding twenty-five dollars, and shall obtain from the Secretary annually a certificate of the same date, under the seal of the Society, stating his qualifications to practise, and that the certificate is in force for one year from its date. Upon payment of such fee, the Secretary shall issue such certificate. A Barrister who is also a Solicitor need only take out annually one certificate. Such certificate may be in the form contained in the Second Schedule thereto. 1884, c. 18, s. 44.

50. If any Barrister or Solicitor, or any member of any firm of Barristers or Solicitors, either in his name or in the name of any member of his firm, practises in any Superior or Inferior Court of Law or Equity in British Columbia without having taken out a certificate for the current year, as directed by the last preceding section of this Act, he shall for every such offence forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars to the Society, which sum may be recovered in any of the said Courts by the Society; and he shall also be liable upon summary application to the Supreme Court to be suspended by the Court from practice in all such Courts for any period not exceeding six months, or until the fee payable for such certificate, and the further sum of fifty dollars forfeited as aforesaid has been duly paid. 1884, c. 18, s. 45.

51. All fees, dues and subscriptions payable under this Act shall be the property of the Society, and shall be received and accounted for by the Treasurer, and the same shall be disbursed and appropriated by him under the directions of the Benchers, in payment of the necessary law library and for law reporting. 1884, c. 18, s. 48.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

FORM OF VOTING PAPER.

Law Society of British Columbia.

ELECTION OF BENCHERS, 18

I, _____, of the _____
British Columbia, Barrister-at-Law, do hereby declare:—

1. That the signature hereto is my proper handwriting.
2. That I vote for the following persons as Benchers of the Law Society:

A. B.,	of the
C. D.,	of the
E. F.,	of the
G. H.,	of the
H. K.,	of the
L. M.,	of the
N. O.,	of the

3. That I have signed no other voting paper at this election.

4. That this voting paper was executed on the day of the date thereof.

Witness my hand this _____ day of _____, A. D.
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SECOND SCHEDULE.

Law Society of British Columbia.

ANNUAL CERTIFICATE NO.

This is to certify that _____ has paid to the law Society of British Columbia, under the provisions of the "Legal Professions Act," the sum of _____ dollars, and that the said _____ is hereby entitled to practise as a _____ in the Province of British Columbia for one year from the date hereof.

Dated _____ October, 18 _____

Secretary.

[Seal.]

1884, c. 18, Sch.

BENCHERS—1889. ---

A. E. B. DAVIE, Q. C.,

Attorney General, (ex-officio.)

M. W. T. DRAKE, Q. C.,

C. E. POOLEY, Q. C.,

THEODORE DAVIE, Q. C.,

A. N. RICHARDS, Q. C.,

D. M. EBERTS,

J. S. YATES,

G. E. CORBOULD.

MEMBERS OF THE BAR AND LIST OF SOLICITORS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1889.

NAME.	DATE OF CALL.	DATE OF ADMISSION.
Albert Norton Richards, Q. C.	1871, May 15th.....	1875, July 23rd.
Clement F. Cornwall.....	1865, March 15th.....	
M. W. Tywhitt Drake, Q. C.	1873, February 25th....	1872, June 30th.
Robert E. Jackson.....	1873, February 25th....	1872, November 25th.
H. B. W. Aikman.....	1873, February 25th....	1871, January 25th.
Alex. E. B. Davie, Q. C.....	1873, February 25th....	1839, May 6th.
Edwin Johnson.....	1873, February 25th....	1870, June 16th.
Henry S. Mason.....	1873, February 25th....	1870, October 21st.
Eli Harrison.....	1873, February 25th....	1874, February 25th.
J. Roland Hett.....	1873, April 16th.....	1871, October 9th.
Chas. Jas. Leggatt.....	1875, February 25th....	1878, November 25th.
William Pollard.....	1877, February 25th....	1876, October 27th.
C. E. Pooley.....	1877, April 16th.....	1879, April 30th.
Theodore Davis.....	1877, April 16th.....	1873, April 15th.
A. T. D. McElmen.....	1878, October 26th....	1875, April 5th.
W. Norman Bole.....	1878, November 25th....	1877, May 31st.
John Patmore Walls.....	1882, April 26th.....	1879, April 16th.
D. M. Eberts.....	1882, May 5th.....	1880, December 28th.
P. Æ. Irving.....	1882, May 5th.....	1882, May 5th.
Thornton Fell.....	1882, May 15th.....	1879, January 14th.
G. E. Corbould.....	1882, May 26th.....	1880, December 20th.
S. Perry Mills.....	1882, June 30th.....	1882, June 30th.
Angus John McColl.....	1882, December 7th....	1882, December 7th.
Charles Wilson.....	1883, January 23rd....	1883, January 23rd.
Geo. Jay, Jr.....		1883, June 15th.
R. W. Armstrong.....	1883, November 15th....	1883, November 15th.
H. D. Helmcken.....	1883, December 19th....	1883, December 19th.
J. Stuart Yates.....	1883, December 19th....	1884, December 1st.
S. Y. Wootton.....		1884, June 18th.
W. J. Taylor.....	1884, August 10th....	
W. Ward Spinks.....	1885, September 24th....	1887, September 24th.
E. V. Bodwell.....	1886, February 8th....	
T. C. Atkinson.....	1886, October 13th....	1885, September 18th.
Eustace J. Jenns.....	1887, July 19th.....	
John M. Muir.....	1887, November 2nd....	1887, November 2nd.
F. G. Walker.....	1888, March 7th.....	1888, March 7th.
S. O. Richards.....	1888, March 7th.....	1888, March 7th.
A. G. M. Spragge.....	1888, April.....	
A. S. Black.....		1888, August 4th.
E. E. Wootton.....	1888, August 4th.....	
L. P. Eckstein.....	1889, January 28th....	1888, March 7th.
A. C. Muir.....	1889, January 28th....	1889, January 28th.
C. C. Pemberton.....		1889, January 28th.
C. S. Mason.....		1889, January 28th.
William H. Whittaker.....	1889, May 4th.....	1889, May 4th.
Hezekiah G. Hall.....	1889, May 4th.....	1889, May 4th.
Alfred St. G. Hamersley.....	1889, May 11th.....	

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

BENCHERS' MEETINGS.

1. The regular meetings of the Benchers shall be held at the City of Victoria on the first Monday of January, April, July and October in every year.
2. Special meetings may be held on the written request of two Benchers addressed to the Secretary.
3. Four Benchers shall be a quorum, and no business shall be transacted unless a quorum be present.
4. In the absence of the Attorney General, the senior Barrister present at any meeting shall be Chairman.
5. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all proceedings of the Benchers, and all rules and regulations shall be entered at length in a book to be called the "Rule Book," and shall be signed by the Chairman and Secretary.

LIBRARY.

1. The Benchers may expend such sums as they think fit in the purchase of books, and the library shall be kept at the Supreme Court House, Victoria.
2. The library shall be open for the use of the Judges of the Supreme and County Courts, Barristers, Solicitors,

students-at-law and articled clerks during the office hours of the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

3. The Benchers may appoint a Librarian and pay him for his services out of the funds of the Society.

4. No book shall be taken out of the Court House.

5. No Barrister or Solicitor shall be entitled to the use of the library, unless his annual certificate shall have been taken out.

6. All books damaged or not restored, shall be placed at the expense of the person damaging or not restoring them.

7. It shall be the duty of the person taking a book to replace it in its proper place as soon as he has finished with its use.

8. In the event of any person violating the rules as to the use of the library, the Benchers may proscribe his further use of the library.

9. The Treasurer shall exercise a general supervision over the library.

STUDENTS-AT-LAW AND ARTICLED CLERKS.

1. A candidate for enrolment as student at law, or articled clerk, or both, shall file with the Secretary a written application for enrolment, stating age and residence, together with a certificate by two practicing members of the profession, that the applicant is a person of good moral character.

2. Previously to the name of any candidate being entered on the roll, he shall be examined orally, and by written questions in

- (a) English History.
- (b) Modern Geography.
- (c) Euclid, first three books.
- (d) Arithmetic.
- (e) English Grammar.

(f) Latin Grammar.

(g) Virgil, the first *Aeneid* or, at the option of the candidate, the Odes of Horace.

(h) Writing from Dictation, and Composition.

3. Candidates must be of the full age of sixteen years.

4. Examinations will be held on the first Monday in June and the first Monday in December, in each year, at the city of Victoria.

5. Examinations will be conducted in the presence of a Benchers who shall certify as to the result and the candidate, if successful, shall forthwith be enrolled on the books of the Society.

6. Previously to the Examination the candidate must deposit with the treasurer the sum of fifty dollars to be retained by the Society in the event of a successful examination. If unsuccessful, forty dollars will be returned.

7. The Examiners shall each be entitled from the funds of the Society to be paid the sum of seven dollars and-a-half, in respect of each candidate examined.

STUDENTS AND ARTICLED CLERKS APPLYING FOR CALL OR ADMISSION OR BOTH.

1. Every applicant for a solicitor must produce a certificate from the Solicitor to whom he has been articled or assigned, shewing in effect that the applicant has undergone the prescribed term of study or service continuously with such Solicitor and that the applicant has during such period been faithful, diligent and engaged in no other duties than those incident to his service.

2. Every applicant for barrister must produce a certificate that he has been borne on the books of the Society as a student of law for a period of 5 years, and that during that period he has been a resident of the Province and that he has been engaged in no other duties than those incident to his studentship.

3. No applicant shall be called or admitted unless a British subject, of full age of twenty-one years, nor unless he shall have studied or undergone the term of service required by law, nor unless he furnish a certificate of his being a person of good moral character, signed by two practising members of the legal profession, nor unless he shall satisfactorily pass the final examinations hereinafter mentioned.

4. Candidates for call, or call and admission, will be examined in:—

Story's Conflict of Laws,
White & Tudor's Leading Cases in Equity,
Lewin on Trusts,
Benjamin on Sales,
Smith's leading Cases,

Tudor's leading Cases on Real Property Law,
and in the works and subjects upon which candidates for admission as Solicitors will be examined that is to say:—

5. Candidates for admission as Solicitors will be examined in

Stephens' Commentaries,
Chitty on Contracts,
William's Real Property,
Snell on Equity,
Taylor on Evidence,
Byles on Bills,
Criminal Law,
Statute Law of the Province and of Canada,
Pleading and Practice of the Supreme Court of
British Columbia.

6. Previously to examination for call or admission the applicant must deposit with the Treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars, to be retained by the Society in the event of a successful examination, but in the event of an unsuccessful examination, seventy-five dollars will be returned.

7. The examinations for call or admission or both shall be

orally and in writing and shall be conducted at the city of Victoria, in the presence of two of the Benchers who shall certify the result. Each Examiner shall be entitled to a fee of ten dollars in respect of each candidate examined.

8. Upon any Candidate obtaining a Certificate from the Examiners or a majority of them, of his having passed satisfactorily his examination for call to the Bar or admission as Solicitor, or both, the Benchers shall, subject to the production of Certificates as to service and character call the candidate to the Bar or admit him as a Solicitor, or both call and admit as the case may be, and thereupon a Certificate under the seal of the Society shall be issued by the Secretary to the applicant stating his call or admission or both as the case may be.

9. Final examinations will be held on the last Monday in January, the last Monday in April, the last Monday in July and the last Monday in October, in each year.

ADMISSION OF BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS FROM OTHER PARTS OF
THE BRITISH DOMINIONS.

1. Applicants for call or admission must file with the Secretary an application in writing to be entered on the books of the Society. Such application shall state the full name of the applicant, the name of the court and country in which he is entitled to practice, and whether the application is for call or admission or both.

2. Together with the application, the applicant must leave with the Secretary the sum of \$50, and shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his call or admission, as the case may be, or both, and that he is in good standing and repute as such Barrister or Solicitor.

3. Upon compliance with the two preceding rules, the name of the applicant shall be entered on the books of the Society, as an applicant for call or admission, or both, as the case may be.

4. Previously to the Secretary entering the name of any such applicant, the Secretary shall obtain the sanction of two of the Benchers whose duty it shall be to give such sanction if the applicant is entitled to be so entered, and if the certificate of call or admission, or both, and of good repute be in their opinion genuine.

5. Examinations under Sections 33 and 34 of the Legal Professions Act, 1884, shall be held at the same time as the final examinations of students at law, and articled clerks.

6. Previously to any call or admission, the applicant shall pay to the Society the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, of which the fifty dollars, under the preceeding rules, shall form part.

7. Upon the applicant passing satisfactorily his examination, and paying his fees, and having complied with the provisions of the section under which he seeks call or admission, the Benchers shall direct the Secretary to issue to the applicant a certificate under the seal of the Society, stating the fact of his call or admission, or both, as the case may be.

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